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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1915.

An Evening Echo.

Harsh counsels have no effect; they are like hammers which are always repulsed by the anvil.—HELVETIUS.

Maybe President Wilson would not have been anxious for a second term for himself, but he will have to run again to please a new wife.

One of the most fitting wedding presents President Carranza of Mexico could make to President Wilson would be that long postponed salute to the American flag.

The Democratic press shows foolishness. One day it says Governor Hatfield shelved Judge John W. Mason because Mason opposed payment of the old Virginia debt and the next it intimates that Governor Hatfield inspired Judge Jacobs to prepare the people for repudiation of that debt. First, it says Hatfield wants to pay the debt and in the next breath it says he does not want to do so.

The Test.

In spite of all our boasted "prosperity," New York City is the only one of the seven leading cities of the United States that shows bank clearings as large for the week ending December 31, 1915 as for the corresponding week in either 1913 or 1912.

Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, St. Louis, Baltimore and New Orleans show decreases of ten per cent or more. In fact, Baltimore shows clearings of only \$34,000,000 for the week in 1915 as compared with \$45,000,000 in 1912, a decrease of \$11,000,000. St. Louis shows \$78,000,000 in 1915 as compared with \$85,000,000 for the same week in 1912.

An Unfit Secretary.

The Telegram, voicing the opinion of newspaper men, regrets exceedingly that the West Virginia Bar Association has seen fit to re-elect to the responsible position of secretary one Charles McCamie, of Wheeling, a member utterly unfit for the job and a discredit to the association in that capacity.

Mr. McCamie has a very exalted opinion of himself and a very low opinion of the press and the Telegram doubts whether Mr. McCamie, in the contemplation of his own superior aloofness from the common herd, has had much time to give any consideration to the Fourth Estate. If the subject ever was in his mind, there was absolutely no evidence of it at the annual state convention of the bar association just held here. The secretary of that body refused to accord local newspaper men the common courtesy that is generally given the press and it was only with the utmost difficulty that information regarding the proceedings of the convention could be obtained; and it for the most part had to be obtained from other sources. This was particularly true in regard to the passage of long resolutions and reports, which newspaper men desired to report correctly and access to which was denied by the secretary. He was too busy, doubtless, thinking of himself.

And this fellow of small calibre aspires to a seat in Congress!

The Early Convention.

The Republican national committee have taken a decidedly courageous position in calling their convention a week in advance of that of the Democracy. This is an assertion of confidence in the strength of their position and of assurance in their ultimate success. Ordinarily, the second convention is supposed to give its holders an advantage. They can profit by any mistakes of the first one; they can make such adjustments in platform as they like. They might even be influenced in the choice of candidates by those of the other side.

But the Republicans evidently believe that the path to victory opens so clearly before them that they need resort to no strategic arts. Their prospects of success appear extremely bright. Not least of the favorable omens comes in the harmony that prevailed at the national committee meeting recently. While that gathering threw no light on the probable candidate, it did disclose the universal conviction that he should be the strongest man in the party—the one who would give it the largest assurance of success. All the favorite sons

and their respective backers express their entire willingness thus to abide by the larger judgment of the party, a condition which should make it easy for the convention to reach a wise conclusion.

Exports Fall Off.

For the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, for promoting commerce, and for commercial attaches, the department of commerce asks for appropriations aggregating \$735,360 in 1916 as compared with \$369,280 in 1915—an increase of 100 per cent.

As a basis for this demand upon a depleted treasury, the department avers that it has aided American ship-pers in securing foreign orders. Let us see. Leaving out of consideration those countries which are at war, and whose demands for our products are entirely independent of any selling efforts, we find from department of commerce reports that for twelve months ending with September 1915 our exports to nations at peace amounted to \$807,695,000 as compared with a total of \$936,125,000 in the corresponding period in 1914, while the bureau was still working under the system established by Republicans. This shows a decrease of \$128,430,000. In the face of this enormous loss of export trade with nations at peace, how can the department of commerce claim to have rendered any material assistance in finding markets for our goods? What sort of reception would an American traveling salesman find in the head office of his employer if he came in with a request for an increase in salary on the plea that he had increased the company's business, when the books of the company showed a decrease rather than an increase? The company might increase the salary of the position but it would find a new man to fill it.

Business Men Banquet.

The Central West Virginia Credit Men's Association held an elaborate banquet at the Hotel Gore Thursday night.

W. T. Wallis, president of the association, was the toastmaster. Among those who made responses were Guy D. Patterson, P. H. Koblegard, H. D. Shinn, W. R. Smith, C. K. McCally and T. A. Furber. One hundred and fourteen men attended the banquet. They represented all the leading wholesale companies and firms in this city, Weston, Buckhannon, Elkins, Burnsville, Sutton and West Union. The banks were well represented.

Here are some of the things that were discussed at the meeting: The abuse of cash discount, the observance of the terms of sale, the importance of financial statements, returned goods, a better feeling and understanding between credit men and traveling salesmen.

Those present were Guy H. Earle, T. Blair Willison, Robert Morris, Hugh Jarvis, Robert M. Sealey, Lowe Peterson, M. W. Stoller, George E. Rogers, H. E. Bland, C. A. Wycoff, Douglas B. Williams, C. W. Pettigrew, Virgil Swearingen, W. T. Carmichael, P. H. White, W. D. McBride, W. R. Smith, L. J. Rice, Frank Wilson, M. R. Anderson, Thomas Boehm, G. W. Gall, Jr., L. W. Ammon, W. J. Harker, C. J. Sama, W. Bates, Orie Myers, William Bur-sard, H. T. Daugherty, W. Davenport, R. V. Golden, W. R. Ross, Frederick Wagner, C. H. Colgate, Guy E. Hul-derman, Hugh Stout, C. S. May, A. Weber, M. M. Morris, B. I. Oun-ningham, Ralph Thorne, E. V. Wine, Carl E. Rutter, H. A. Russell, Karl Holy, L. D. Johnson, Emmett Buzzard, Z. Y. Bates, W. A. McClane, J. B. Smith, Jr., B. A. Ferguson, James H. Henderson, E. R. Brown, Thomas E. Lee, C. A. Brown, W. M. B. Sine, F. C. Gaylord, Thomas Boehm, Jr., E. Leatherbury, Roy E. Trip, W. S. Humphreys, J. P. Stone, J. E. Sutton, W. C. Burrell, Howard Gaskins, J. E. Helmick, J. F. Hart, Floyd Carmichael, Robert Cayner, T. M. Donahue, W. A. Gaylord, John Stamm, Jr., H. B. Ruiz, J. W. Williams, E. Holsberry, E. E. Smith, E. W. Christy, Oscar C. Whit, S. L. White, Sam West, G. M. West, S. C. Watkins, Fred H. Omore, E. R. Hoffman, Bert Evans, C. B. Holliday, D. H. Hollen, Roy B. Arthur, H. B. Shinn, J. W. Tracy, H. L. Ewing, R. B. Brooks, C. W. Burnside, W. L. Triplett, S. A. Holsberry, C. K. McCally, W. M. Huffman, Harry M. Wade, W. D. Newton, R. W. Jones, J. W. Given, A. Hooper, R. H. Johnson and L. U. Wingate.

THE DAILY NOVELET

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NO MAIL.

Talk is cheap—tell you get the telephone bill.—Prof. Simp.

'Twas a dull day in the Wishville postoffice. The Henweed girl trip-

ped in.

"Anything for the Henweeds?" she asked questioningly.

"No," answered Dickless.

"Anything for Zook Henweed?"

"Nuh," responded the postmaster.

"Anything for Dahlia Henweed?"

"Nup," replied Dickless.

"Anything for Weevil Henweed?"

"Hay, looky here," said the post-

master, removing his feet from the filing cabinet. "They haint no mail for no Henweeds, dead, living, un-born, native or foreigner, civilized or uncivilized, male or female, black or white, yellow or green, naturalized or otherwise, civilian or roughneck."

"Well," said the Henweed girl sweetly, "will you please look and see if they's any mail for Lissie Henweed?"

Two months later in the Wishville county court house, as a result of suit brought by old man Henweed, the postmaster was awarded \$5 and costs for throwing the postoffice safe at the Henweed girl.

DO THIS FIRST—YOU!

You know, and every physician knows, that when any sickness has passed, whether it be throat trouble, organic disturbances, contagious diseases, or even a severe cold, a relapse is feared, because sickness robs the system of Nature's resistance and leaves it subject to lingering germs.

Drugs never build up a worn-out body—only food can do that, and the first thing to take after any sickness is the concentrated, blood-making oil-food in Scott's Emulsion, which feeds the tissues, benefits the blood and strengthens both lungs and throat.

Physicians prescribe Scott's Emulsion after sickness. Nurses everywhere advocate it. Scott's is pure medicinal food, without alcohol or drugs.

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We Give "S & H" Green Trading Stamps With Cash Purchases

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT—SHOP AT WATTS-LAMBERD'S

Closing our books for the year without thanking you for the business you have given us would leave one of our principal debts unpaid.

We desire to express our appreciation for the confidence reposed in us during the year just ending, and to assure you that throughout the coming year our every effort will be to merit the favor of your esteemed patronage.

The fundamental idea of our merchandising methods is and will be to offer genuine worthy merchandise, not in the exterior only but in the interior. Goods that simply pretend cannot come into this store unless it be by accident that shall be instantly remedied when discovered. No transaction is complete until it carries perfect satisfaction to the purchaser.

We have not been endowed with sublime intelligence, but we have a clean vision of what we want to do for our customers, and we have a determining will to see that none shall be disappointed.

The best for the price no matter what the price.

(Signed)
THE WATTS-LAMBERD CO.

Fresh needs arise every day in thousands of homes, and purchases that have been postponed are often made the first of the new year. Besides there are many extra attractions for the first day of the new year and the days following—before inventory—cleaning up of odd lots and remainders of desirable winter merchandise, including NEW LINES OF WHITE GOODS and numerous good things not mentioned in today's store news, but easy to find when you come.

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY 9 A. M.

Sale of Silkoline Covered Comforts, \$1.05

Values up to \$1.65.

Splendid comforts of medium size and weight, filled with cotton batting—a clean sanitary batting. Covered with fancy silkoline, both sides alike. Very attractive designs and colorings. Majority are light grounds well covered with neat floral effects. See special window display. Come early.

SALE OF NEW PLUSH COATS

\$25.00 Plush Coats, \$17.75

\$30.00 Plush Coats, \$19.75

These new models were purchased by our Mr. Lamberd while in New York City this week. The Coats have just been unpacked and are the loose flare models. A few are wide, loose belted styles. Some are fur trimmed, others with collar and cuffs of tan plush.

NOW ON SALE SPECIAL ITEMS OF WHITE GOODS

15c Pillow Cases, 2 for 25c
Size 36x42 inches.

Seamless Sheets 59c
Size 81x90 inches

25c Colored Border Turkish Bath Towels, 4 for 79c

18-in. Swiss Flouncing and 25c Yd
Corset Cover Embroidery

15c to 18c Swiss Embroidery 10c yd
Edges and Insertions in neat floral and eyelot designs.

India Linon—Extra Quality 10c yd

Special for Saturday 9 A. M.

12 1/2c English Longcloth 79c Bolt of 10 Yds.

Splendid quality, yard wide soft finish English longcloth at a very special price. An opportunity to supply your needs preparatory to spring sewing. Put up in bolts of 10 yards, and specially priced for Saturday selling at 79c bolt.

Extraordinary Values In This Sale of Curtains at \$1.98 Pr.

Regular \$3.00 and \$3.50 Curtains Now on Sale. All-over net effects, the very best styles of the season. Colors are mostly white and cream, a few designs in ecru. The quality, style and designs are excellent and not a pair in this special lot worth less than \$3.00 a pair, many are \$3.50 curtains. See window display. Remember, these curtains are now on sale. Come at once for the should go quickly.

75c Cedar Oil Mop
50c Bottle Cedar Oil for } 89c

Special

Women's Unionsuits, 50c

Heavy weight, fleeced, pure white Union Suits that are extra values for the price. High neck, long sleeves, or Muslin low neck with short sleeves.

Dinnerware Now on Sale—(Main Floor)

6 Pieces for 79c

Regular Values 20c to 25c Each. Beautiful white Dinnerware, Coin Gold band and hair line, Cups with Coin Handles. Six Cups and Saucers or Six Dinner Plates for 79c.

New Shipments of Room size Rugs, Extremely Handsome Wilton Velvet Rugs

We are now showing a very large line of new high grade Wilton Velvet and Frenon Wilton Velvet Rugs, in room sizes, 9x12 and 8 ft. 3 in. by 10 ft. 6 in. Also small Rugs to match. The designs and colorings are indeed beautiful—many are exact reproductions of famous Oriental Rugs. Prices range from \$37.50, \$39.75, \$45.00 to \$95.00 for 8x12 ft. sizes. A pleasure to show you. Now showing largest stock of room size Rugs in our city consisting of all grades.

20 PER CENT REDUCTION ON ALL FURS, MUFFS and SCARFS, ALSO MATCH SETS

At 20 per cent off the regular low prices. Splendid lines of the season's newest and most popular and wanted Furs; Red Fox, Black Lynx, Natural Apossum, Jap Mink, Alaska Sabel, Near Seal and the popular Black Coney Furs.

Just Out of Their Boxes These

\$30.00 BROADCLOTH SUITS, \$17.75

Handsome new Broadcloth Suits—the season's very latest style models, trimmings are Velvet, Martin and Beaver Furs. Colors are Navy, Copen, Brown, Green and Mole. Handsomely tailored, Coats Silk Lined. Bought by our Mr. Lamberd while in New York City this week.

Choice of Any Trimmed Hat in Stock for \$1.98

After Supper Specials for Saturday Night, January 1st.

\$1.00 Mercerized Damask, 49c yd.
Two yards wide. Beautiful floral patterns.

\$1.00 Birdseye 87c Bolt of 10 yds.
Pure bleached, 27 inches wide, put up 10 yds. in sealed package.

RENAISSANCE SCARFS 98c
Regular Prices \$1.50 to \$2.00
Beautiful art linens in a variety of attractive patterns in styles that are new and different. See window.

"Beacon" Crib Blankets, 29c.
Regularly sold at 50c. Light blue with neat and attractive figures.